Stony Creek Elementary School PTO
Summer 2011

A huge welcome to new families as well as returning families!

It's hard to believe that in a couple of weeks, the 2011 - 2012 school year begins!

The PTO has many exciting events planned for this school year. Mark your calendars for the **Stony Creek Picnic on August 31st at 5:30 pm**, rain or shine! Come meet staff, classmates, and families. There will be food and drinks for sale supplied by PTO 5th Grade Committee. Members of the PTO Executive Board will be available that evening to meet you and answer any questions you have - please don't be shy!

Are you and your family new to Stony Creek? In the next few weeks, look for information about our **Welcome Wagon event** especially for you! We'll give you the "inside scoop" on school- and PTO-related activities, as well as answer any questions you may have. Child care will be available.

Included in this email are many useful documents to help the PTO provide services to the Stony Creek community. This email will take the place of the mailed packet that we had sent home in the past. We are excited to be more environmentally conscious and share this year's information with you electronically.

Please print out pages that will be helpful to you, including the Stony Creek Calendar of Events and other forms you may need to return to school.

Included in this email:

- Calendar of Events (this will also be printed on your child's school folder or assignment book, compliments of the PTO)
- Back-to-School Picnic Invitation
- Welcome Committee Form for New Stony Creek Families
- PTO Membership Form
- Stony Creek Spiritwear Order Form
- 2011-2012 PTO Fundraising Calendar and "Where does the PTO Money Go" Information

We thank all of you who have already signed up to volunteer. If you haven't yet, it's not too late! We welcome you to share your time and talents for the benefit of our kids! Please use the link below to sign up for our numerous committees online (copy and paste into your browser or click on the link in the original email):
https://spreadsheets.google.com/viewform?formkey=dE5DenlfWl80MElmOW5GdVh0SGY0UHc6MQ

We look forward to seeing you all at the Back-to-School Picnic.

The success of our PTO is only possible with the help of volunteers like you. Any way that you are able to contribute and participate this year will be greatly appreciated! Thank you.

Stony Creek PTO
Doris Fox and Kathy Reilly - Co Presidents

2011-2012 Stony Creek Calendar

August

23 PTO Sponsored Staff Luncheon
29 First Day of School (Grades 1-5) Early Dismissal
29 Kindergarten Orientation, 1:30 PM
30 Kindergarten (A-M Attend Full Day of School)
31 Kindergarten (N-Z Attend Full Day of School)
31 PTO Back to School Picnic, 5:30 PM

September

1 All Kindergarten Students Report
2 Holiday – No School
5 Labor Day Holiday – No School
6 KidStuff Coupon Book Sale Begins (ends 9/20)
15 Back to School Night Program, 7 PM
26 Yankee Candle Sale Begins (Ends 10/11)
29 Holiday – No School
30 Fall Picture Day

October

7 Holiday – No School
21 PTO Family Fun Night, 6:30 PM
31 Halloween Parade and Celebration, 2 PM

November

7 Fall Picture Re-Takes
7 PTO Fall Book Fair Family Night, 6:30 PM
8-11 PTO Fall Book Fair
8 Professional Staff In-Service Day - No School
10 PTO Meeting, 9:30 AM
15 American Education Week –Visitation Day
18 PTO Giving Night, 6:30 PM
21 Fall Conferences, Early Dismissal K-8
22 Fall Conferences, Early Dismissal K-12
23 Fall Conferences, Early Dismissal K-12
24-25 Thanksgiving Holiday, No School

December

2 Early Dismissal (K-5), End of First Trimester
13 Winter Concert at WHS, 7 PM
13 PTO Holiday Shop (During Recess)
14 PTO Holiday Shop (During Recess)
15 PTO Holiday Shop (During Recess)
26 Winter Recess Begins – No School

January

2 Students Return from Winter Recess
12 PTO Family Fun Night/Book Exchange, 6:30 PM
13 Professional Staff In-Service Day - No School
16 Martin L. King, Jr. Holiday – No School
19 PTO Family Fun Night (Snow Date)
20 Early Dismissal (6-12 only)

February

9 Stony Creek's International Festival (School Day)
9 PTO Meeting, 7 PM
14 PTO Breakfast Buddies (Families A-M)
15 PTO Breakfast Buddies (Families N-Z)
17 Professional Staff In-Service Day - No School
20 Presidents' Day – No School

March

2 March Madness Jr. Edition (Gym Night), 7 PM
7 Kindergarten Program Overview, 9:30 AM
9 Early Dismissal (K-5), End of Second Trimester
17 PTO March Madness Parent Evening
27 Early Dismissal (6-12 only)
28 Spring Conferences, Early Dismissal K-8
28-30 PTO Spring Book Fair
29 Spring Conferences, Early Dismissal K-12
30 Spring Conferences, Early Dismissal K-12

April

2 Spring Recess Begins – No School
9 Students Return from Spring Recess
16-20 PSSA Writing Testing Window (Grade 5)
24 Professional Staff In-Service Day - No School
23-27 PSSA Science Testing Window (Grade 4)
25 Spring Picture Day

May

2 PTO Staff Appreciation Luncheon
3 PTO Meeting, 7 PM
10 Stony Creek Musical, 7 PM
18 PTO Spring Carnival, 5:30 PM
22 Spring Concert at WHS, 7 PM
28 Memorial Day – No School

June

1 Field Day (During the School Day)
4 Field Day (Rain Date)
6 Fifth Grade Day of Fun (Tentative Date)
7 PTO Meeting, 9:30 AM
7 Fifth Grade Day of Fun (Rain Date)
8 Fifth Grade Farewell Ceremony, 9 AM
12 Last Day of School (Dismissal 10:30 AM)

Stony Creek
Back-to-School Picnic

Wednesday, August 31st
5:30 - 7:30 PM

Mark your calendars for our annual Back-to School Picnic full of family fun!
A great opportunity to meet new friends, families, and say "Hi" to the teachers.

Bring a blanket and a picnic,
or plan on purchasing your dinner there!

Dinner, drinks, and delicious desserts will be available to purchase.
(Food purchases to benefit our PTO 5th Grade Fundraising Committee)

Hope to see you there rain or shine!

Be sure to stop by the PTO table to learn about our exciting events
and opportunities available this year!

Welcome New Stony Creek Families

Are you sending your first child off to Kindergarten? Transferring from another school? Do you have any questions? Would you like someone to help guide you during this period of transition? If so, please fill out the information below, & you will be contacted by a Volunteer Parent Ambassador.

Looking forward to meeting you soon!

Carla Cleary
PTO Welcome Committee

Name of Parent or Guardian: _____

Name of Child: Grade in Fall 2011

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Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Best way to reach you: _____

E-mail: _____

Show Your Spirit with…

Stony Creek Spiritwear!

Check out our spiritwear online at

www.stonycreekspiritwear.com

Order online and have your spiritwear shipped directly to you!

Shop for the following items at the Back-to-School Picnic
or use the order form below:

Stony Creek Spiritwear Order Form

Please return this form with a check payable to "Stony Creek PTO" to:
Laurie Polter c/o PTO Mailbox

Fleece Headbands: Warm fleece headbands w/ cool Owl design Available in Navy or Pink - $9

SCE Baseball Hats: Adjustable navy blue baseball hats with the SCE logo - $12

Hoodies: Gray zip-up sweatshirts with blue Stony Creek logo
Youth sizes: YS(6-8), YM(10-12), YL(14-16) - $22
Adult sizes: AS, AM, AL - $25

Tie-Dye Tees: Cool red/blue tie dye t-shirt with white Stony Creek logo
Youth sizes: YS(6-8), YM(10-12), YL(14-16) - $12
Adult sizes: AS, AM, AL, AXL, AXXL - $12

Cinch Sacks: Navy nylon bag with white Stony Creek logo - $10

Magnets: White oval "SCE" car magnet – Just $5!

Item: _____ Size/Color: _____Quantity: _____$_____

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Child's Name: _____ Grade/Teacher: _____

Phone Number: _____ E-mail: _____

Questions? Contact Laurie Polter at lpolter1227@gmail.com

2011 – 2012 PTO Fundraising Efforts

Kids-Stuff Books– September
Yankee Candle – October
March Madness – March
Book Fair – November & March
Spring Carnival - May
Direct Donations – Year Round
Box Tops – Year Round
E-Scrips – Year Round
Membership – Year Round

Where Do The Funds Go

SPECIAL NOTE: 2010 – 2011 Fundraising Funds are being used for a New Sound System in the school, New Kindergarten Cubbies, several upgrades for our staff…along with the following:

Free Agenda Books for every student in 2nd to 5th Grades
Free Stony Creek Folders for every student in K to 1st Grade
Art Goes to School
Author's Day
Breakfast Buddies
Bulletin Boards
Community CARES Program
Community Kids Club
Family Book Fair Night
Field Day
Giving Night
Green Committee
Halloween Family Fun Night
Hospitality, Including 2 Staff Luncheons
Junior Great Books
Landscaping
March Madness Jr. Edition
Mini-Grants for Teacher Requests
Winter Family Fun Night
Nature Trail
Reading Olympics
Spring Musical
Student Assemblies

"This Week at Stony Creek" Communications